Proposals on security of monuments and museums

1349. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of proposals on security of Monuments and Museums have been submitted to the Director General, Archaeological Survey of India by the security officers of the Archaeological Survey of India within the last ten years; and

(b) if so, the details of action taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Security officers in archaeological Survey of India have been representing from time to time for creation of a separate security set-up. However, keeping in view the limited number of Security Officers and functions assigned to them, it has not been found possible to introduce hierarchy based security cadre.

यूरोपीय आर्थिक समुदाय द्वारा गुजरात में वित्तपोषित की जा रही सिंचाई परियोजनाएं

1350. **श्री राजूभाई ए० परमार:** क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गुजरात में, विशेषकर सौराष्ट्र-कच्छ क्षेत्र में स्थित उन सिंचाई परियोजनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है जिनका वित्त पोषण यूरोपीय आर्थिक समुदाय द्वारा किया जा रहा है और इसकी धनराशि कितनी है;

(ख) क्या गुजरात सरकार ने और अधिक नयी परियोजनाएं शुरू करने के लिए यूरोपीय आर्थिक समुदाय से अनुरोध किया है, और;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू): (क) गुजरात में, इस समय, यूरोपीय आर्थिक समुदाय की सहायता से कोई परियोजना क्रियान्वित नहीं की जा रही है।

(ख) और (ग) परियोजना प्रस्ताव, सामान्यतः राज्य सरकार द्वारा तैयार किये जाते हैं, इस मंत्रालय को भेजे जाते हैं और उसके बाद वित्त मंत्रालय के जरिये कुछ वाह्य अभिकरणों को प्रस्तुत करने के लिए विचार किया जाता है। अतः गुजरात सरकार का कोई प्रस्ताव इस चरण पर नहीं पहुंचा है।

Performance of Kudremukh Iron Ore Co, Ltd.

1351. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kudremukh Iron Ore Co, Ltd. has turned out a good performance both in terms of production of ore/pellets and financial operations;

(b) whether the company had to suffer marginally on account of reduction of 9.5% in the international price for iron ore concentrate during 1994-95 and if so, the reasons for not concluding long term contractual deals, which are immune from market fluctuations, with the overseas buyers; and

(c) whether the KIOCL's Mangalore pellet unit is catering to, apart from meeting export commitments, domestic sponge iron plants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The Physical and Financial performance of the Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL) during the past three years has been as under:—

Physical Performance (In Million Tonnes)	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95 (Prov.)
—Production of Iron Ore Concentrates	5.01	6.20	5.71
—Production of Iron Ore Pellets	1.41	2.24	2.32

Financial Performance (In Rs. Crores)	1992-93	1993-94	1994-94 (Prov.)
—Total Sales	313.90	416.69	369.34
—Gross Margin	103.66	111.61	97.66
—Net Profit	100.15	94.87	63.56

(b) Yes, Sir. The international iron ore market has traditionally been a Buyers' market during the last two decades. As per the prevailing practice in the trade, prices are determined between major suppliers and the major buyers on annual basis. Long term Contracts concluded between buyers and sellers, therefore, do not make the seller immune from price fluctuations in the world market.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Special Livestock Development Programme in Bihar

1352. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special Central Scheme on Special Livestock Development Programme has recently been taken up in the State of Bihar for generating self employment amongst the rural youth of the State; and

(b) if so, the district-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

States affected by floods

1353. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the States which were affected by floods and heavy rains in the recent weeks;

(b) the extent of losses caused to human lives, standing crops and other properties in the affected areas;

(c) the details of relief operations undertaken in the affected areas; and

(d) the Central assistance provided for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) According to the information received from the State Governments, parts of the States of Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Punjab, Tripura and West Bengal have been affected by heavy rains and floods during the current South west Monsoon.

(b) According to preliminary estimates, the floods have so far claimed 266 human lives, affected a crop area of 3.06 lakh hectares and damaged 48,155 houses.

(c) The relief measures undertaken by the concerned State Governments include evacuation of people to safer places, distribution of essential materials, operation of relief camps and health centres, distribution of gratuitous relief etc.

(d) Two instalments of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund for 1995-96 have been released to all the affected States. The funds released are as under:—

S. No.	State	Amounts (Rs. in crores)
1.	Assam	17.70
2.	Bihar	18.39
3.	Gujarat	49.41
4.	Himachal Pradesh	9.54
5.	Jammu & Kashmir	6.97
6	Kerala	19.61
7.	Madhya Pradesh	18.08
8.	Meghalaya	0.98
9.	Punjab	19.16
10.	Tripura	1.59
11.	West Bengal	18.16